

## Method And Apparatus For Storage On Demand Service

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides improved techniques for managing storage resources, such as disk drives, I/O ports, and the like according to user demand for these storage resources. In a specific embodiment, a centralized SoD system that remotely activates installed storage resources in a storage subsystem on demand obviates the need to visit a particular site. Specific embodiments provide users the capability to bring new resources on line, define pathways between resources, and the like, for example. Embodiments can obviate the need for system programmers to manually configure storage resources on a user's site.

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